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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the PATENT APPLICATION of:

Falone et al.

Application No.: 09/978,130

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**For: ATHLETIC CLOTHING WITH STING
REDUCTION PADDING**

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Examiner: Kavanaugh, John T.

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Date: October 6, 2004

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANIED BY A
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination and the following Amendment and Remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action, dated May 6, 2004, in which the Examiner set a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on August 6, 2004. Accordingly, a petition for a two-month extension of time up through October 6, 2004 is submitted herewith. Entry of the Request for Continued Examination and entry of the following Amendment and Remarks, without prejudice and disclaimer, is respectfully requested.